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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that the following references, which are also listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, be made of record in the above-identified case.

1. U.S. Patent No. 5,985,123, issued November 16, 1999 to Koon;
2. U.S. Patent No. 5,776,327, issued July 7, 1998 to Botts, et al.;
3. U.S. Patent No. 5,281,325, issued January 25, 1994 to Berg;
4. U.S. Patent No. 4,304,641, issued December 8, 1981 to Grandia, et al.; and
5. Japanese Application No. JP 1-147627, dated June 9, 1989.

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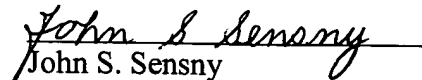
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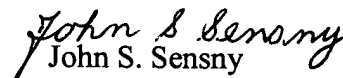
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